

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration based on the above amendments and the following remarks. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance.

Currently, claims 1-7 are presented for examination. Of these, claims 1-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1-4, and 7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,430,177 to Luzeski et (Luzeski). Al. Further, claims 5 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Luzeski as applied to claim 4. Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 8-12 have been added. Applicant submits that claims 1-12 are in condition for allowance and respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections.

Claims 1-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for allegedly failing to point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The wording in claim 1 cited in the office action (Office Action, para. 2) has been amended to more clearly show, "how an attached electronic file is accessed without the associated content." Claim 1 was the only claim specifically cited as failing to satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, with claims 2-7 being rejected presumably based upon their dependence on claim 1. Based on this at least, Applicant submits that claims 1-7 meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and respectfully requests reconsideration of these rejections.

Claims 1-4, and 7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly anticipated by Luzeski. Independent claim 1, as amended recites:

A computer-implemented method for communicating content intended for delivery to a recipient of an electronic mail message having an attached electronic file, containing an identity of a remote server computer, comprising: responsive to an input signal, accessing the attached electronic file; obtaining the identity of a remote server computer hosting the content in response to accessing the attached electronic

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file; displaying a launch control; and responsive to a selection of the launch control, displaying the content intended for delivery to the recipient of the electronic mail message by using the identity to establish a connection with the remote server computer.

Luzeski does not teach all these features. For example, Luzeski does not teach displaying a launch control, and then displaying content responsive to the selection of the launch control. With Luzeski, upon accessing an attachment with a pointer to a Uniform Resource Locator (URL), there is no teaching that a recipient selects a launch control to further enable the accessing of the remote content.

For at least these reasons, Applicant submits that claim 1 is allowable. Claims 2-4, and 7 depend from allowable claim 1, and are therefore allowable. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of these rejections.

Dependent claims 5 and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over Luzeski as applied to claim 4. For at least the reasons stated above with reference to claim 1, claim 4 is allowable. Claim 5 depends directly from an allowable claim 4, and claim 6 depends directly from claim 5, therefore Applicant respectfully submits that, for at least that reason, claims 5 and 6 are allowable. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of these rejections.

New independent claim 8 recites features similar to claim 1. Claims 9-12 variously depend from claim 8.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments, Applicants submit that the above-identified application is now in condition for allowance. Early notification to this effect is respectfully requested.

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